had left New Delhi, they looted the belongings of passengers and escaped at Sahibabad Station. On reaching Kanpur, a complaint was lodged by a passenger with the Government Railway Police Station which registered a case under crime No. Nil/2001 under section 395 and 397 of the IPC and transferred the same to GRP Delhi. GRP Delhi, in turn, referred the case to GRP/Ghaziabad on the point of jurisdiction.

(c) "Policing" being a State subject, prevention of crime on Railways including running trains is the Constitutional responsibility of the State Governments. However, the Railways have taken the following steps to check crime.

1. Regular Coordination Meetings are held between the Railways and the Police Authorities to ensure adequate security to the passengers.
2. Exchange of intelligence on crime and criminality is done between the Railways and the Police Authorities.
3. Anti-social elements are removed from Railway premises and the trains by Railway personnel.
4. Monitoring through CCTV and announcements through Public Address System which are made at important Railway stations to alert the travelling public against theft etc.
5. Accommodation is provided to the Government Railway Police personnel for escorting the trains. Accommodation is also provided to Mobile Police Stations, on selected trains.

Doubling of Delhi-Ahmedabad-Delhi Rail Line

730. SHRI BRAHMAKUMAR BHATT: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the survey for doubling of Delhi-Ahmedabad-Delhi *via* Jaipur-Ajmer-Abu Road rail line has been completed;

(b) if so, by when, the project would start and be completed;

(c) whether the route would be electrified; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) At present there is no proposal to electrify this section due to relative priority for electrification of other high density routes and constraints of resources.

Allotment of duties to TCs/ATC in Central Railway

731. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO:
SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Assistant Ticket Collectors and Ticket Collectors, posted in Bhopal-Itarsi-Nagpur Section of Central Railway, are not being allotted duties in sleeper coaches of various passenger trains rotationally;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the section-wise details of TCs/ATCs., who have not been allotted any duties on passenger trains during the preceding year; and

(d) the action taken/contemplated against officers responsible for such an erring conduct?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) and (b) Ticket Collectors are recruited in the initial recruitment grade and are utilised only for stationary duties on the platforms and at the station gates. Manning of trains is assigned to the senior ticket checking staff like Conductors/Head Travelling Ticket Examiners and Travelling Ticket Examiners. There is no post of Assistant Ticket Collectors on the Railways.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.